

What we claim is:

- 5 1. An inhaler (1) for dispensing doses of medicament from a container under user activation said inhaling comprising a body (7) including a mouthpiece (5) through which said medicament is dispensed and a cap (2) which can be placed in a position to substantially occlude said mouthpiece (5) where said cap (2) is attached to said body (7) by a strap (3) which pivots from said body (7), said cap (2) being arranged to slide on said strap (3) such that said cap (2) must translate away from said mouthpiece (5) prior to the pivoting of said strap (3).
- 10 2. An inhaler (1) for dispensing doses of medicament from a container under user activation as claimed in claim 1 wherein said mouthpiece (5) projects from said body.
- 15 3. An inhaler for dispensing doses of medicament from a container under user activation as claimed in claim 1 or 2 wherein said cap (2) both occludes said mouthpiece (5) and overlies the projection of said mouthpiece (5).
- 20 4. An inhaler for dispensing doses of medicament from a container under user activation as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein said inhaler (1) is a plastic material wherein said strap (3) and said body (7) are moulded as a unit.
- 25 5. An inhaler (1) for dispensing doses of medicament from a container under user activation as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 4 wherein said strap (3) underlies said body and substantially follows the contours thereof.
- 30 6. An inhaler (1) for dispensing doses of medicament from a container under user activation as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5 wherein said container is pressurised.

7. An inhaler (1) for dispensing doses of medicament as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 6 wherein said inhaler is a metered dose inhaler.

8. An inhaler (1) for dispensing doses of medicament as claimed in any one of claims 1 to 5 7 wherein the cap (2) is attached to said strap (3) by means of a lug.